

REFUSAL OF INSPECTION	Sometimes a research facility representative refuses to allow an inspection of the research facility. [2.38(b)]
	<p>If a representative of a research facility refuses to allow an inspection, be sure that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• you have clearly identified yourself as a USDA Animal Care inspector• the inspection is occurring during legal business hours - 7a.m.-7p.m., Monday through Friday• the person refusing to allow the inspection is aware of the violation of the AWA regulations• you ask the specific question: “Are you refusing to allow the inspection?”• you ask to speak to a person of higher authority at the research facility <p>If the representative or the person of higher authority still refuses to allow an inspection, leave the premises and:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• complete an official inspection report• designate this as a “Routine” inspection• document the refusal in the inspection report narrative section• be specific as to date, time, and the name of the person who refused to allow the inspection. An example citation is: SECT 2.38(b) ACCESS TO PROPERTY AND RECORDS- On <i>(date)</i> at <i>(time)</i>, <i>(name of person)</i> refused to allow an inspection of the facility and records.• send the research facility a copy of the inspection report by certified, return receipt mail <p>NOTE: If two or more APHIS officials are present for the inspection and one is denied entry, document this as a refusal of inspection. Do not conduct an inspection.</p>